

## **M&T contributes \$100,000 to Baltimore City Public Schools' fund supporting students, families affected by COVID-19**

**Baltimore, Md.; March 25, 2020** — M&T Bank is contributing \$100,000 to the Baltimore City Public Schools' Fund for Educational Excellence to help feed the city's students and their family members directly or indirectly affected by the COVID-19 outbreak.

M&T, one of the region's largest corporate givers, joins several Baltimore-area businesses that have given money to the fund so far – totaling more than \$1 million to date. Other corporate givers to the fund include T. Rowe Price Group, the Baltimore Ravens, CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield and Baltimore Gas & Electric Co.

With schools throughout Baltimore City closed due to COVID-19, money raised by the fund will supplement existing local, state and federal food insecurity funding to help provide food to students who typically get their meals at school.

"We always are looking for ways to make a difference in the communities we serve – even more so at a time like this," said Augie Chiasera, M&T's Regional President for Greater Baltimore. "Helping to alleviate the impacts the coronavirus is having on the young and most vulnerable is where we felt we could make the greatest difference in collaboration with the City of Baltimore and our corporate partners."

As part of the collaborative effort to help meet the food needs of students, their families and the city's senior citizens, M&T also is encouraging its employees to consider making a personal donation to the Baltimore Community Foundation's COVID-19 Food Security Fund. Donors can choose to direct their money either to students and their families through the Fund for Educational Excellence or toward the city's senior population via the Baltimore Civic Fund.

The bank also plans to work with Business Volunteers of Maryland to identify volunteer opportunities for M&T employees after restrictions on social distancing have been lifted.

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